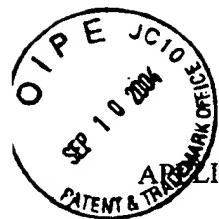


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants are in receipt of the Office Action dated July 19, 2004 of the above-referenced application. Applicants respond to the Office Action as follows, within the shortened statutory period of two months set in the Office Action.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect Group II, claims 1-3 and 18-21, without traverse. The present election is made solely to comply with the Office Action and should not be construed as a surrender of any subject matter of the application. Applicants reserve the right to file divisional application(s) on the non-elected claims.

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